Remarks:

Amendment to Title

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendment to the title, so that the title more accurately reflects the presently claimed invention.

Election of Invention

The present application contains claims 1-52. The Office Action restricts the claims as follows:

Invention I. claims 1-22, drawn to a multi-layer filter article, classified in class 210, subclass 500+;

Invention II. claims 23-35, drawn to a multi-layer filter article with fiber blend, class 210, subclass 500+;

Invention III. claims 36-45, drawn to a medical fabric, classified in class 442, subclass 200; and

Invention IV. claims 46-52, drawn to a medical fabric with fiber blend, classified in class 442, subclass 239.

Applicant elects for examination Invention IV, covered by claims 46-52, and withdraws claims 1-45 without prejudice to Applicant's ability to pursue such claims in one or more divisional patent applications.

Applicant respectfully submits that the remaining claims 46-52 are in a condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 617-854-4000.

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